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SUBJ: DEATH OF CHAPLAIN'S WIFE

REF: MOSCOW 15100

FOR EUR/SOV AND SCA/SCS

1. POLICE AND HOSPITAL AUTHORITIES IN NOVGOROD HAVE CONFIRMED DEATH OF MRS WINIFRED OPPENHEIM. DEATH OCCURRED AT APPROXIMATELY 1500 OCTOBER 7 AT HOSPITAL IN KRECHEVITSY RPT KRECHEVITSY, TOWN LOCATED JUST NORTH OF NOVGOROD.

2. CONSULAR OFFICER SPOKE ON TELEPHONE WITH CHAPLAIN RAY OPPENHEIM, WHO, DOCTOR SAID, SUFFERED FRACTURED SKULL AND BROKEN LEG. OPPENHEIM APPEARED COHERENT AND RATIONAL, ALTHOUGH IT WAS NOT CLEAR WHETHER HE WAS YET AWARE OF WIFE'S DEATH. OPPENHEIM IS UNDER TREATMENT AT KRECHEVITSY HOSPITAL.

3. CONGEN OFFICERS GARY L MATTHEWS AND PAUL H BLAKEBURN ARE PROCEEDING AT ONCE TO KRECHEVITSY. DIPLOMATIC AGENCY IN LENINGRAD HAS REGISTERED TRIP AS TRAVEL EXCEPTION. CONGEN OFFICERS SHOULD BE ON SCENE BY 2100 OCTOBER 7, AND DEPENDING ON CIRCUMSTANCES, WILL REMAIN UNTIL EMBASSY REPRESENTATIVES ARRIVE.
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